

SWANN TAKES UP HYLAN CHARGE OF 8-CENT FARE CONSPIRACY

ers Barrett, Glennon and Ryan, and Daniel L. Turner, chief engineer, representing the transit division of the Public Service Commission.

For the interborough there were present: Frank Hadley, vice-president and general manager; James Unionbush, general attorney and Isidore Nixon, special counsel of the Interborough; District Attorney Dennis and Assistant District Attorney Dooling and Benton, Police Commissioners Bright and Forest Foster, counsel for the Public Service Commission also attended. Members of the Interborough Brotherhood present were: P. J. Connolly, acting president. The Amalgamated was represented by Louis Friderig, counsel and P. J. Shea, member of the Executive Committee of the Amalgamated.

The discharged men were instructed to refuse to turn in their badges and sera and refuse to take their accumulated wages. Mr. Friderig wrote a letter to Judge Mayer, who placed the road in the hands of Receiver John Hodges, protesting against the discharge. Copies of the letter were sent to Mayor Hylan and Public Service Commissioner Nixon.

General Manager Terence of the Amalgamated denied the report that 200 men had been discharged from union activities. He said:

"No man in any department of the Eighth Avenue Railway has been relieved from service as a result of the meeting last night. Our men are by tally 100 per cent loyal."

EFFECTIVE GREEN CARS TO BE IN OPERATION.

Receiver Hodges announced this morning that he expects the "green cars" to be in operation in the Interborough next week. He said he had received no demands from the employees of the lines operated by him as receiver since the 10 per cent increase, and felt that traffic on the lines under his direction would not be affected by a strike.

Employees of the Union Railway Company, which operates the trolley lines in the Bronx, said that they had been assured that without striking they will get whatever benefits are granted to the employees of other traction lines. The Amalgamated is at work among them and is said to be gaining some recruits, but not many.

Major Hylan said this morning that the army had agreed to let the city have 200 horses in the event of a strike of the Interborough, and the city is now trying to get substitutes to them. In addition Acting Borough President Joseph A. Butler and Inspector O'Brien, who handled the P. T. strike, will furnish 750 buses and trucks and Deputy Police Commissioner Porter promises 200 passenger cars; and the Mayor will call upon all public spirited and patriotic men and women to volunteer their cars and trucks.

Plans to meet emergencies that may crop out of the strike, which was announced from the chief inspectors office to-day, have been completed. They involve the picking of the force, the assembly of the men and the calling out of any necessary reserves. The full details of the arrangements will be withheld until the strike has actually been set in motion.

Mounting a bitter fight is on between the Brotherhood and the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees for control of the Interborough employees. The Amalgamated claims to have appointed 2,800 men and collected \$100,000 from each and agents that there were 2,000 other employees who wanted to enroll, but were driven away by Brotherhood pickets, who guarded the migrated stations and stood in the streets adjacent. The meeting will continue all day to-day and tomorrow to finish the enrollment.

P. J. Shea, National Executive Committee-man of the Amalgamated, said that they would be "ready to act" to-morrow, but he did not mention the word "strike." He said that for the Brotherhood, the Amalgamated, "which is not fighting the City Administration," would have been able to settle the trouble with a strike.

EMPLOYEES DECIDE TO CALL STRIKE IN MORNING.

The decision of the subway and elevated lines to strike at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning was reached at noon at the convention at the Star Casino.

James J. Gophen of the Interborough Brotherhood, Chairman of the convention, laid down to 5,000 members of the organization the rules of conduct. Mr. Hylan, Mayor Hylan in speech, was assured, said his "insults," and many of the men then declared for an immediate strike. The strike order laid on by Chairman Gophen was:

"No gentleman. No needles will be sustained."

When you call work back we will be the topic and expense of the community carefully.

Retain all trains to the terminal and shut off the power so that no accidents will result.

Watchmen will stay at their posts and remain on duty until messengers come.

Ticket sellers will look their tickets in the sales and remain at their stations until further orders.

Power houses will be kept running until all trains have had time to return to the terminals and be switched to storage tracks. When the power is shut off the lights must be carefully locked up and the watchmen of the plants must stand by until further orders.

With the shut down of the power houses the subway system will be at a standstill. The company has withdrawn at strategic points and they will be compelled to give an ultimatum in paralyzing the property of the company.

At each subway station the ticket sellers will be withdrawn in effect as they will be on the elevated stations. The men went from the convention

FARMERS DEMAND END OF WARTIME CONTROL OF FOOD

Grange Presents Plan for Sweeping Relief to Congress Committees.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—A programme calling for repeal of wartime food control, abolition of control of exports and enactment of legislation to protect farmers was laid to-day by the National Grange, representing 700,000 farmers, before the joint session of the House and Senate Agriculture Committee. The Grange plan to be urged upon Congress provides for:

Ending of wheat price regulation and all price fixing on primary food and clothing material at the end of the present crop season.

Removal of all restrictions and regulations based on war powers of Congress, including the food administration activities.

Clear definition of the constitutional power of Congress to deal with hoarding, conspiracies and combinations to enhance prices and with waste or destruction of food or similar products under peace conditions.

Enactment of laws to define legality of collective bargaining among agricultural people.

The Department of Justice to-day planned an investigation of women's houses, in which holdings of butter eggs and dairy products and poultry have increased from 20 to 200 percent since last year.

Until "Capitalistic Monopoly" and organized labor cease profiteering in goods and wages," the next cycle of the census will effect a condition of living now undreamed of, J. R. Howard, President of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, told the joint committee. Mr. Howard said: "The high cost of living is not due to lack of desire or effort on the part of the farmer to produce to the limit of their physical ability. The farmer has not struck, walked out or otherwise shackled in production."

Exact data on the holdings of all big storage houses are now in possession of the Bureau of Markets, which has just finished a careful survey.

Information gathered by the Bureau of Markets confirms the belief of this department that one of the chief factors causing the high cost of living is hoarding of great stocks of food," said Assistant Attorney General Ames to-day. "It thoroughly demonstrates the wisdom of the policy already adopted by the Department of Justice."

The canyons made by the Bureau of Markets shows that cold storage holdings of creamy butter Aug. 1, 1918, were 40.6 per cent. in excess of those of Aug. 1, 1919, or an increase of 26,033,419 pounds. Holdings Aug. 1, 1919, totalled 134,889,752 pounds.

Case eggs held in storage Aug. 1, 1919, showed an increase of 20.4 per cent. over one year ago when only 6,582,841 cases were reported. The total Aug. 1, 1919, had jumped to 7,882,858 cases.

Chickens classed as broilers increased 28.8 per cent. during the year, according to the market bureau's census. Aug. 1, 1919, holdings were 6,119,149 pounds. Holdings with Aug. 1, 1918, pounds a year ago.

HALIFAX TO GREET PRINCE.

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HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 15.—Elaborate preparations for the reception of the Prince of Wales, who is skipping to reach home board the cruiser *Dragon* to-morrow, were completed today.

The official reception will not be extended until Monday, but it is believed that the royal visitor will come ashore to view nearby places of interest on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. John N. H. Aug. 14.—The Prince of Wales sailed from here at 7 o'clock this morning on the cruiser *Dragon*. The cruiser *Dartmouth*, also called an escort.

MONS GETS CANADIAN GUNS.

Those That Fired Last Shots at Germans Presented to Village.

MONS, Friday, Aug. 16.—Canadian cannon which fired the last shots at the Germans on armistice day, Nov. 11, were presented to the village of Mons this morning with elaborate ceremonies.

Gen. Harvey, of the Canadian forces, said in presenting the guns that they would be a souvenir of the kindness shown by the natives of the town to the soldiers. The Mayor of Mons spoke of the self-sacrifice of the Canadians, who "without profit, came to fight for the liberty of Belgium."

NEW HAVEN TRAINS MONDAY.

Regular Schedule to Stamford as Soon as Strikers Return.

C. M. Hall, Assistant Superintendent of Transportation of the New Haven Railroad, announced to-day that the regular schedule of trains on the New York-Stamford division will be restored on Monday, the strikers having voted to go back to work at that time.

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This announcement was made this afternoon by Dr. Jonathan C. Day, Commissioner of City Markets. He said none of the food could be taken from the army warehouses until Monday morning and that it would take time to distribute it. Every effort will be made to get full supplies into the forty-six schools specially selected according to communities so that they can open late Monday or by Tuesday at the latest. Everything depends upon the mailing with which food can be moved from the army warehouses, sorted and distributed to the schools.

Volunteer Workers have been requested and are ready to act as a salaried force when the food is placed in the schools. They will work from 8 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when sales will cease for the day.

It is particularly requested that each housewife ascertain the school nearest her home and then learn when it will be opened. If this plan is followed, and the housewives reserve their trade for the school nearest them without crowding the first ones opened they can avoid swamping the help and be sure of getting a full share of the food.

Dr. Day also announced that all bacon would be sold as received from the army bases. The bacon will be gathered at a central point in the city, weighed in the original piece, labeled with the weight and price and must be purchased "as is."

The Fair Price Committee to-day issued this advice to housewives:

"Please buy from us but buy reasonable quantities; do not buy your meat in quantities, as a John Doe inquires, held on July 28. Fether insisted he had kicked off his trousers in order to swim more easily. He could not, he says, kick off his shoes, which are No. 9 size, but he did manage to kick his trousers over the stones, a fact which he claimed a good swimmer, as he says he is, can accomplish, though with difficulty.

"We are not Bolsheviks, but are patriotic thinking people who know that our ideals of democracy are best served by preparing the minds of the masses for the responsibilities of a Socialist Government and that such progress only is sound when achieved by the votes of an intelligent majority."

Mr. Hoover concluded his investigation here and left for Lemongrass and Craggy. He will receive degrees from the universities in those Galician cities.

Before his departure, Mr. Hoover, Gen. Pilsudski and Premier Paderewski reviewed a procession of 6,000 little children, representing more than a million Polish children who were fed by the American Relief Administration through its children's feeding department.

Father and Father, with three other Cornell students and three girl friends of Miss Crane, went down the town to attend a dance at the Glenwood Hotel, about three miles north of this city, on the night of Saturday, July 13.

At Glenwood Fether and two student companions between them drank two-thirds of a quart bottle of whiskey, but the young man denies that he was drunk and there is no evidence that he appeared to be intoxicated. About 10 o'clock Fether and the girl left the dance hall and that was the last seen of her.

Fether's story of what happened, told to reporters and the authorities, is that Hazel did not want to dance, and he suggested a ride in a rowboat. She preferred a canoe, so they borrowed a canoe lying on the shore and set off. Fether says they sat in the middle of the boat, that they put their arms about each other and that then the canoe upset and as they went over they separated. Though he swam about for twenty minutes he declares he never saw Miss Crane again.

Labor Leader Breaks Engagements in Europe to Help Solve Problems Here.

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, who has been attending the labor congress at Amsterdam and has been spending a few days in this city, will sail from Brest to-morrow for America by way of the steamer *George Washington*. He is going home in response to urgent calls from the American government.

In speaking with the Associated Press today, Mr. Gompers said he regretted the necessity of breaking his engagements and the impossibility of continuing his study of the European situation, adding:

"But matters at home are more urgent and I want to get back as soon as possible to help all I can in the solution of problems which are uppermost in my mind."

Gompers' last speech was delivered at the Soviet Congress, Moscow, on Aug. 14.

SOVIET BATTALIONS WIPE OUT IN NEW DRIVE.

Bolsheviks Lose Many Prisoners.

Machine Guns and Ammunition.

Southwest of Petrograd.

LODZ, Aug. 15.—Several battalions of Bolshevik troops have been wiped out in the new counter-offensive of the northwestern Russian army along the River Luga, northwest of Petrograd, according to reports from Moscow.

Gen. Woytowicz, the Soviet general in command, is reported to have lost large numbers of prisoners, machine guns and ammunition.

On the west bank of the Luga, in the region east of Warsaw, the anti-Bolshevik troops occupied Aleksandrovsk.

Units of Soviet south of Warsaw, other anti-Bolshevik detachments made raids against the Bolshevik front and captured 200 prisoners.

Near Podlaski, an entire Soviet regiment is reported to have deserted to the Bolsheviks.

State Food Head Ascertains He, Too, Is Investigating.

ALBANY, Aug. 15.—Dr. Eugene H. Porter, head of the State Department of Foods and Markets, announced to-day that for several weeks he has been conducting an inquiry to obtain some solution of the high cost of living.

Mr. Swann gave the impression that he would like to present evidence to the grand jury, but he would not commit himself. Secretary T. Elkins Nathan has been summoned to appear before the District Attorney with his books.

General Strike Brought in Aid Liverpool Police.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 16.—Labor leaders here decided last night to call a three-day general strike, beginning next Wednesday, to enforce reinstatement of the police who went on strike recently.

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